

has made an affirmative commercial quantities determination, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. MAFFEI (for himself, Mr. BARBER, and Mr. BARROW of Georgia):

H.R. 5177. A bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to eliminate benefits under the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program for Members of Congress so they are treated the same way as other taxpayers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. PAULSEN (for himself, Mr. BLUMENAUER, and Mr. DEFAZIO):

H.R. 5178. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an offset against income tax refunds to pay for restitution and other State judicial debts that are past-due; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. RICHMOND (for himself, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. LEE of California, and Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California):

H.R. 5179. A bill to amend title 39, United States Code, to provide that the United States Postal Service may provide certain basic financial services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. ROSS (for himself, Mr. DELANEY, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. MURPHY of Florida, Ms. SINEMA, and Mr. LUTKEMEYER):

H.R. 5180. A bill to amend the Financial Stability Act of 2010 to improve the transparency of the Financial Stability Oversight Council, to improve the SIFI designation process, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. SPEIER (for herself and Mr. CHAFFETZ):

H.R. 5181. A bill to amend title 44, United States Code, to require the retention of records of high level officials, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. TAKANO (for himself, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. McDERMOTT, and Mr. HIMES):

H.R. 5182. A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to provide for equal treatment of individuals in same-sex marriages, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. BLACK (for herself and Mr. BLUMENAUER):

H.R. 5183. A bill to establish a demonstration program requiring the utilization of Value-Based Insurance Design to demonstrate that reducing the copayments or coinsurance charged to Medicare beneficiaries for selected high-value prescription medications and clinical services can increase their utilization and ultimately improve clinical outcomes and lower health care expenditures; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. BUTTERFIELD:

H.J. Res. 120. A joint resolution approving the location of a memorial to commemorate the more than 5,000 slaves and free Black persons who fought for independence in the American Revolution; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. FRANKS of Arizona (for himself and Mr. LIPINSKI):

H. Con. Res. 109. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress relating to ex-

tending the interim agreement with the Government of Iran regarding its nuclear program; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. GRAVES of Missouri (for himself and Mr. LAMBORN):

H. Res. 681. A resolution recognizing the National Museum of World War II Aviation in Colorado Springs, Colorado, as America's National World War II Aviation Museum; to the Committee on Armed Services.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. HOYER:

H.R. 5168.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 1 Section 8 of Article I of the Constitution of the United States

By Mr. WALBERG:

H.R. 5169.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18

To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. MEADOWS:

H.R. 5170.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18

To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. CALVERT:

H.R. 5171.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The principal constitutional authority for this legislation is clause 7 of section 9 of article I of the Constitution of the United States (the appropriation power), which states: "No Money shall be drawn from the Treasury, but in Consequence of Appropriations made by Law" In addition, clause 1 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution (the spending power) provides: "The Congress shall have the Power . . . to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence and general Welfare of the United States" Together, these specific constitutional provisions establish the congressional power of the purse, granting Congress the authority to appropriate funds, to determine their purpose, amount, and period of availability, and to set forth terms and conditions governing their use.

By Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio:

H.R. 5172.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, section 8, Clauses 14 and 18 of the Constitution of the United States.

By Mr. CASSIDY:

H.R. 5173.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress as stated in Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. CONNOLLY:

H.R. 5174.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the Constitution of the United States

By Mr. LANCE:

H.R. 5175.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The Congress shall have the power to . . . regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes.

By Mr. BEN RAY LUJÁN of New Mexico:

H.R. 5176.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution

By Mr. MAFFEI:

H.R. 5177.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the U.S. Constitution.

By Mr. PAULSEN:

H.R. 5178.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. RICHMOND:

H.R. 5179.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The Constitutional authority for this bill stems from Article I, Section 8, Clause 7 and from Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. ROSS:

H.R. 5180.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3 (The Congress shall have the Power "to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States and with the Indian Tribes") and Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18 (The Congress shall have the Power "to make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof").

By Ms. SPEIER:

H.R. 5181.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. TAKANO:

H.R. 5182.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution of the United States.

By Mrs. BLACK:

H.R. 5183.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution which states, "(t)he Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts, and excises, to pay the debts and provide for the common defence and general welfare of the United States."

By Mr. BUTTERFIELD:

H.J. Res. 120.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 17 of the Constitution of the United States of America.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows: